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THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A PHOTOCOPY OF A LETTER ABOUT JEWISH CEMETERIES DATED SEPTEMBER 4 ADDRESSED TO WILLIAM PERRY FROM MINISTER KAZIMIERZ KAKOL, WITH COPIES TO PROFESSOR LEWIN AND GRAND RABBI M. RUBIN (REFTEL). AN INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: IN REPLY TO THE QUESTION WHICH HAS BEEN RAISED BY YOU IN OUR OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS, I KINDLY INFORM YOU THAT OUR STATE AUTHORITIES ARE IN PRINCIPLE AGREEABLE TO THE PRESERVATION OF THE JEWISH CEMETERYS WHICH ARE STILL IN BEING IN POLAND.

ACCORDING TO THIS RULE, CEMETERIES ALL OVER POLAND INCLUDING AMONG OTHERS THOSE IN WARSAW, LODZ, KRAKOW, BOBOWA AND LANCUT, WILL BE PRESERVED.

OUR REGULATIONS AND APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES SUPPORT THE REALIZATION OF ABOVE RULE.

A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN PRESERVING THE JEWISH CEMETERIES, AS IS THE CASE WITH THOSE OF OTHER RELIGIONS, WILL BE MATERIAL COMMITMENTS FROM THE FAMILIES OF DEAD PERSONS AND FROM JEWISH SOCIETY.

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KAZIMIERZ KAKOL
DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE
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END QUOTE.

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